



# Clondalkin Village Parish

*Immaculate Conception of the BVM & St. Killian*

## Clonburris ☩ Knockmitten

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 26th March 2023

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
of  
Lent

### DEATH OF A FRIEND

Lazarus and his sisters, Martha and Mary were special friends of Jesus. Jesus loved all three of them. Their home in Bethany, near Jerusalem, was always open to him.

One day while Jesus was in an area near the Jordan he received a message from the sisters that Lazarus was ill. Jesus was expected to return but it was day four before he returned and Lazarus in the meantime died. Martha's first words to him were "*What took you so long?*"

In the Gospel of John, this is not the first time Jesus delayed and did nothing before he did something. At the wedding feast in Cana his mother told him there wasn't enough wine and he implied that he wasn't going to do anything. At the feeding of the five thousand, Jesus knew what he was going to do but he asked his disciples what they thought they should do. Shortly before his death, his relatives asked him if he was going to the Feast in Jerusalem. He gave them the feeling that he wasn't, but went later.

We see the same pattern in today's gospel. He delayed returning to Bethany and when he finally arrived, he found that Lazarus was already four days in the tomb. Burial had taken place and days of mourning followed. Martha and Mary grieved that Jesus, despite being a close family friend, was not there when they needed him. They both expressed the same feelings, "*Lord, if you had been here my brother would not have died.*" The neighbours put it more forcefully, "*Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man kept this man from dying?*"

Then, when all seemed lost, great things began to happen. Jesus reassured Martha, "Your brother will live. I am the resurrection. Do you believe this?" Martha believed and her faith in him deepened, "*I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God.*" Her sister Mary knelt at his feet in reverence. Jesus publicly expressed his belief in and gratitude to the Father, "I thank you, Father, for having heard me. I know that you always hear me." Lazarus was given the gift of life.

The people present believed in Jesus.

The next time you say that your prayer to the Lord went unanswered, recall this gospel story.

*Sr. Anne*

### Masses

#### Clondalkin Village

**Sundays:** (Vigil) Sat  
6.30pm, Sunday 9am (As  
Gaeilge) 10.30am, 12 noon

**Weekdays** (Mon – Fri)  
7.30am, 10.00am  
(Sat) 10.00am

#### Clonburris

Sat 6.30pm, Sunday 11am

#### Knockmitten

Sunday 11am

Mon, Wed, Fri at 10am

### Parish Office Hours

#### Clondalkin:

Monday-Friday : 9.30-12.30

Please contact through  
Phone & Email

#### Clonburris & Knockmitten:

Contact through Village

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Newsletter:

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## LENT 2023

There will be an evening Mass at 7.30pm on weekdays, Monday to Friday, during Lent.

Trócaire boxes are available in the Church for anyone who wishes to have one in their home during Lent.

### *ARISE!*

Take up something new for Lent 2023!

**Workshops for young adults age 18+** on key areas of social justice and how we can get moving on issues that matter!

Evenings take place in St. Paul's Church, Arran Quay, from 7pm each night. Details in poster on the notice boards and parish FB page. Also for more information, email [natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie).

Register interest now at:

<https://forms.office.com/e/rwJkixXMyi/>.



### PARENTS MEETING

A meeting for parents of young people preparing for First Holy Communion will take place in the Village Church tomorrow Monday 27th March at 8.00pm

### TAKE TIME TO PRAY

I got up early one morning  
And rushed right into the day;  
I had so much to accomplish  
That I didn't have time to pray.  
Problems just tumbled about me,  
And heavier came each task;  
"Why doesn't God help me?" I wondered.  
He answered, "You didn't ask".  
I wanted to see joy and beauty  
But the day toiled on gray and bleak  
I wondered why God didn't show me  
He said "But you didn't seek".  
I tried to come into God's presence;  
I used all my keys in the lock.  
God gently and lovingly chided,  
"My child, you didn't knock".  
I woke up early this morning,  
And paused before entering the day;  
I had so much to accomplish  
That I had to take time to pray.

## LENTEN INITIATIVES

### SHARING FAITH IN SMALL GROUPS 'PEOPLE OF HOPE'

*We invite you to journey together with us this Lent as we will reflect and pray with the Sunday Gospel.*

**7 Wednesdays:** Ash Wednesday to Holy Week Wednesday, 7.30 - 8.30 pm in Knockmitten Church Parish Hall.

**6 Thursdays** up to Holy Week, 3.00 to 4.00 pm in Sruleen Parish Pastoral Centre.

### *Building Hope through Servant Leadership*

**Five sessions on Monday Evenings in Lent to introduce you to the practice of servant leadership:**

**February 27, March 6, March 13, March 20, March 27, all 7.30pm to 9.00pm**  
in

**St. Paul's Centre for  
Mission and Ministry, Arran Quay.**

This is especially for all those in Parish Ministries and Pastoral Councils.

*Led by: Peter Síney and Patricia Carroll*

### **GODLY PLAY for Children: 'The Faces of Easter'**

5 Tuesdays: February 28th, March 7th, 14th, 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> from 2.45 pm till 3.45 pm in the Parish Pastoral Centre.

**Godly Play:** making meaning through story, wonder, and play. Nurturing spiritual lives by honouring the centrality, competency, and capacity of children.

**Facilitators:** Saule Cameron, Parish Pastoral Worker & Rosemary Lavelle

### **GODLY PLAY for Adults: 'The Faces of Easter'**

4 Wednesdays: 1st, 8th, 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> of March in Bawnogue Church, John Bosco room, from 7.30 pm till 8.30 pm.

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**



## RECENTLY DECEASED

**WILLIAM McGUIRK**

*May He Rest in Peace*

### Village Church

#### Sunday 26th March

**6.30pm Vigil** Maria Warren (13th An)  
Gerald Stavenicutus (1st An)

**10.30am** Liam, Babs & Gay Norton (An)  
Mary Minogue (An)  
Mary MacConalogue  
Donal Dunne (8th An)  
Moir McDermott (Birthday Rem)  
Kathleen Nolan (Birthday Rem)

**12noon** Anna Fitzgerald (2nd An)  
Elizabeth & Nicholas West  
Mary & Patrick Hendley

#### Wednesday 29th March

**10.00am** Oliver O'Connor (1st An)

#### Thursday 30th March

**7.30am** Patrick Ryder (Birthday Rem)  
**10.00am** Margaret Tyson (An)

#### Friday 31st March

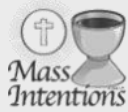
**10.00am** Patrick McEntagart (3rd An)  
and Josephine (7th An)

#### Sunday 2nd April - Palm Sunday

**6.30pm Vigil** Richard Connolly (10th An)  
Kathleen Nolan (Rem)  
James Gallagher (23rd An)  
Kathleen Gallagher (Rem)  
Greta Gallagher (Rem)  
Brendan Gardiner (2nd An)  
Mary O'Shea & her mother Mary Furlong (An)

**10.30am** Belle & Josie Broderick (An)  
Fran Byrne (3rd An) and deceased members of  
the Byrne family and deceased members of  
the Higgins family

**12noon** Mary Byrne (An) & Elizabeth Byrne  
(Flood)  
Frances Byrne (Brennan)  
Frank & Patricia Farrell (An)



## WEEKLY ACTIVITIES IN PARISH PASTORAL CENTRE

### Monday

#### The Monday Club

(after 10am Mass & Rosary)

#### LOCALISE

Youth Volunteering  
Leader: Cat Scanlon  
7.00-8.00pm - during school term  
(new members always welcome)

#### Recovery Self-Help Method Meeting

8.00pm

### Tuesday

#### Lectio Divina

Led by Sr. Anne  
(after 10am Mass & Rosary)

### Wednesday

#### St. Joseph's Young Priests Society

Meeting in the Pastoral Centre  
after Mass on the last Wednesday  
of the month.  
New members welcome.

#### Charismatic Prayer Group

7.30-8.30pm

### Thursday

#### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Thursday in the Church  
from 10.30 to 11.30am and  
7.30 to 8.30pm led by  
Deacon Don Devaney



We offer our sincere condolences to  
Fr. Brian following the death of his  
Mother.

Both he and his family are in our thoughts  
and prayers at this time.

### Feast Days This Week

Saturday 1st April

**St. Ceallach, Bishop of Armagh**

St. Ceallach was born in 1080, became Abbot of Armagh  
and priest in 1105 and presided at the Synod of  
Rathbreasail in 1111. In 1129 while visiting  
Munster, Ceallach died at Ardpatrik and was buried in  
Lismore at his own request.

(Taken from CatholicIreland.net - Archive of the Saints)



### *We need your support*

Please keep your donations and support coming.

Donations can be dropped off at the following venues:

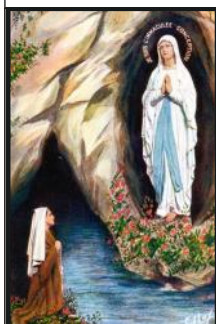
- Clondalkin Parish Office Mon-Fri 10-12.30.
- Neart Le Chéile Thu 10-3.
- Neilstown Church Mon-Wed 10-3.30.
- Quarryvale Community and Youth Centre Mon-Fri 11-3.
- Ronanstown Youth Service Tue 10-12

To register for food, or for any other information, please email [manager@quarryvalefrc.ie](mailto:manager@quarryvalefrc.ie) or call 085 202 0300 during normal office hours.

To donate please use our **Go Fund Me** page:  
<https://www.gofundme.com/f/please-help-our-food-bank>

We welcome any other place that would like to volunteer to act as a drop off point for donations. Just contact us and let us know!

**If you need support or know of someone who does, please do not hesitate to email or call.**



### **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2023**

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May, 5 nights full board, 4\* Hotel Astrid, €800 per person sharing, single room supplement €165. Flight direct to Lourdes with Ryanair, 10kg baggage allowance, travel insurance included (€20 extra for pilgrims over 85).

Contact: Parish Office / Sacristy for Booking Forms or phone Joe at 087 6820338.

**We need to get Booking Forms in as soon as possible together with a copy of your Passport (photograph page).**

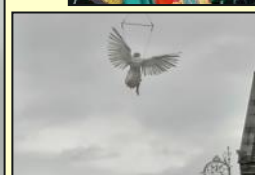
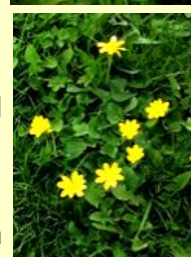
**Please check that your Passport is valid at least until the end of August this year.**

*Do not let tomorrow use up too much of today.*

Cherokee Indian proverb

On the 76 bus heading for Belgard Luas. Off I get on Belgard Road. On the grass verge straight under my nose are stunning Daisies, more of Summer than Spring. Still absorbing their imagery and stunning beauty, I am jolted and broken from my reverie by a second whammy of golden yellow shimmering flowers only 3 yards from the Daisies. I just can't believe it. Still in Daisy mode, the Lesser Celandines are mesmerising, flitting between belief and unbelief in their inspirational tonic being absorbed by my entire being. And the Sun has them in glittering deep yellow spellbinding mode. What? It can't be. Two Spring Kings in harmony together and on the verge of a very busy road. No wonder Wordsworth poured out several poems under their spell, which just transfixes you in reverie, nuanced in each session.

Reverentially, *Eddie*



### **Pope urges renewed consecration of Ukraine and Russia to Mary**

Speaking during his weekly General Audience in St Peter's Square on Wednesday (22<sup>nd</sup> March), Pope Francis urged believers to renew the consecration of humanity - especially Russia and Ukraine - to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Pope Francis' initial consecration of Russia and Ukraine to Mary's Immaculate Heart (on 25th March 2022) was a response, he said, to the war between the two countries. "This is no magic formula," he explained at the time, "but a spiritual act. It is an act of complete trust on the part of children who, amid the tribulation of this cruel and senseless war that threatens our world, turn to their Mother, reposing all their fears and pain in her heart and abandoning themselves to her." This Wednesday, the Pope said that "My thoughts go to the 25th March of last year, when, in union with all the bishops of the world, I consecrated the Church and humanity, especially Russia and Ukraine, to the Immaculate Heart of Mary." "Let us not tire of consecrating the cause of peace to the Queen of Peace," he continued. "I would like to invite every believer and community, especially prayer groups, to renew the Act of Consecration to Our Lady every 25th March, so that she, who is Mother, might preserve us all in unity and peace." The Pope ended his appeal by remembering "tormented Ukraine", as he has at almost every General Audience since the outbreak of war, and urged his listeners never to forget the country, which, he said, "is suffering very greatly."

